

# Indiana House of Representatives

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### **DENNIS TYLER SWORN IN AS 34<sup>TH</sup> DISTRICT REPRESENTATIVE**

INDIANAPOLIS – Dennis Tyler of Muncie was sworn in today as 34<sup>th</sup> District representative in the Indiana House during a brief ceremony at the Statehouse.

Tyler, 63, succeeds Tiny Adams of Muncie, who died December 7 from complications resulting from a stroke. The 34<sup>th</sup> District includes most of the city of Muncie in Delaware County.

Shortly after taking the oath of office from Indiana Supreme Court Justice Frank Sullivan, Tyler said, "It is an honor to serve the people of the 34<sup>th</sup> House District, and I pledge to do everything in my power to make sure to live up to the legacy of public service established by Tiny Adams.

"He has large shoes to fill, but I will do my best to make sure that I represent the best interests of those who live and work in the 34<sup>th</sup> District, and that I will help them to the best of my abilities whenever they have problems with state government," Tyler continued.

Tyler has been a member of the Muncie Fire Department for 40 years, currently serving as a line captain. He has a long history of community service with a number of organizations, including the United Way of Delaware County.

He and his wife Vickie have three children: Amy, Dennis Lee and Mary Lou.

"The short session of the Indiana General Assembly that resumes today will have a long list of items to consider, and I have several priorities I would like to see addressed in that time," Tyler said. "I would like to see the Legislature do something more to protect property taxpayers and schools, both of whom received little or no relief from the most recent biennial state budget.

"I am also interested in seeing us do more to help Indiana's greatest resource: our working men and women," he continued. "The greatest thing we can do to benefit our state's economy is making sure that our workers have good-paying jobs and a safe working environment, and they will be the special interest I will strive to assist in 2006.

House Democrat Leader B. Patrick Bauer from South Bend said Tyler will serve on three standing House committees during the 2006 session: Commerce, Economic Development and Small Business; Judiciary; and Public Health.

"Dennis Tyler has a diverse background of experiences that will serve him well in the Indiana House," Bauer said.

"We will look to him for guidance as lawmakers consider property tax relief, improvements in health care and education, and worker protections. Considering his long history of commitment to the public, I can easily see that he will become a strong voice on behalf of the people of the 34<sup>th</sup> District."

To reach Tyler during the 2006 session, you can contact him by calling the toll-free Statehouse telephone number of 1-800-382-9842, e-mailing him through his Internet Web site at [www.IN.gov/H34](http://www.IN.gov/H34) or writing to him at:

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